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SUBJECT: UNDP 19TH GOVERNING COUNCIL -ASSISTANCE TO
PAKISTAN EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS

SUMMARY: UNDP 19TH GOVERNING COUNCIL JANUARY 16
DECIDED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE ADDITIONAL TO AGENDA OF
ITEM FOR CONSIDERATION OF UNDEP ASSISTANCE TO GOVERN-
MENT OF PAKISTAN FOLLOWING RECENT EARTHQUAKE. BACK-
GROUND INFORMATION ON U.S. AND OTHER
ASSISTANCE FOR THIS DISASTER TOGETHER WITH GUIDANCE ON
EXTENT AND NATURE OF UNDP ASSISTANCE REQUESTED. END
SUMMARY.

1. INDONESIAN DEL JAN 16 REQUESTED 19TH UNDP GC
ADD TO ITS AGENDA ITEM OT PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO GOVERN-
MENT OF PAKISTAN FOLLOWING RECENT EARTHQUAKE. ACTION
TAKEN IN RESPONSE TO ECOSOC RES OF JAN 15 REQUESTING
UNDP GC TO TAKE URGENT ACTION AT ITS 19TH SESSION TO
PROVIDE NECESSARY ASSISTANCE TO PAKISTAN FOR RECONSTRUC-
TION AND REHABILITATION IN THE AFFECTED AREAS.

2. EXPRESSIONS OF SYMPATHY AND SUPPORT OF INDONESIAN
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REQUEST GIVEN BY FOURTEEN DELEGATIONS (MALAYSIA CHINA

INDIA, PERU, MOROCCO, SOMALIA, CHILE, UK, SRI LANKA, USSR, KUWAIT, IRAN, BRAZIL, AND U.S.), UK AND IRAN DELEGATIONS CITED THEIR OWN EMERGENCY RELIEF AID TO PAKISTAN, U.S. DELEGATION ASKED THAT INDONESIAN REQUEST TO PUT THIS ITEM ON 19TH GC AGENDA BE APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. REQUEST INFORMATION SOONEST RE EXTENT EARTHQUAKE DAMAGE, DETAILS OF U.S. RELIEF ASSISTANCE AND OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION. FYI. IN LUNCHEON MEETING WITH KEY UN DISASTER OFFICIALS DURING KIEFFER VISIT, WE WERE INFORMED THAT GOP HAS ALREADY RECEIVED OVER \$40 MILLION IN PLEDGES AS RESULT EARTHQUAKE. END FYI.

4. PROBABLY ESSENTIAL FOR 19TH SESSION TO PROVIDE LIMITED ASSISTANCE TO BOTH SOMALIA AND PAKISTAN, DRAFT RES ON SOMALIA DROUGHT PROPOSES \$2 MILLION FROM UNDP PROGRAM RESERVE. IDEALLY, LIMITED ASSISTANCE TO PAKISTAN SHOULD BE OF AN INTERMEDIATE TO LONGER RANGE NATURE. IN VIEW OF CONSIDERABLE ASSISTANCE ALREADY RECEIVED, LIMITED UNDP DISASTER ASSISTANCE TO PAKISTAN FOR EARTHQUAKE SEEMS IN ORDER. BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE REQUESTED ASAP.
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